Title	Civil Harassment (revise forms CH-100, CH-101/DV-290, CH-110, CH-120, CH-125, CH-130, CH-131, CH-140, CH-145, and CH-150; adopt forms CH-135 and CH-151)
Summary	California law authorizes court to make orders to protect people from being harassed by others. Judicial Council forms are available to assist people to request orders and to answer requests. To make the Civil Harassment forms easier to understand and use, these forms would be revised. The revised forms would use the Plain Language format that was adopted by the council in 2001 for the Domestic Violence prevention forms.
Source	Civil and Small Claims Advisory Committee
Staff	Patrick O'Donnell, Counsel to the Civil and Small Claims Advisory Committee, 415-865-7665, patrick.o'donnell@jud.ca.gov
Discussion	Judicial Council forms have been available for a number of years for people who are asking for orders to stop civil harassment or who are responding to these requests. The California Legislature has recognized how important the council's forms are for persons involved in this kind of case and has made the Civil Harassment forms mandatory. The council has adopted similar forms for use in Domestic Violence Abuse, Elder Abuse, and Workplace Violence prevention cases, which
	are widely used by the public and the courts. In 2001, the Judicial revised the Domestic Violence Prevention forms to be in a Plain Language version. The purpose of revising the forms to be in this format was to make the courts more accessible to people without lawyers. The council wanted self-represented persons to be able to have forms that are easier to understand and to fill out. The information provided in the Domestic Violence prevention forms has helped people to serve papers, prepare for hearings, and represent themselves. The new format of these forms has widely been regarded as a success.
	Based on the format of the Domestic Violence prevention forms, the Civil Harassment forms would be revised. The main features of the Plain Language version of the Civil Harassment forms would include:
	• Clearer, simpler language explaining what information the litigants should provide on the forms.
	• Larger, more readable type.
	 More space on each page to make the forms more readable.

- More space for people to provide information.
- An organization and format that is more intuitive and accessible to ordinary people who are unfamiliar with legal conventions.

The revised Civil Harassment forms should help not only the parties who are filling them out, but also the judicial system and, if the parties are represented, their attorneys. The forms should make it easier for people to understand the forms and to complete them with less assistance and fewer mistakes.

The entire series of Civil Harassment forms would be revised to follow the Plain Language format. The changes to specific forms are described below. Comments are invited on the formatting of the series and on the individual forms.

Request for Order to Stop Harassment (revised form CH-100)
This is the revised form that a person seeking a restraining order would use to initiate a civil harassment prevention case. It would replace the Petition for Injunction Prohibiting Civil Harassment and Application for Temporary Restraining Order.

The revised form, like others in the Civil Harassment series, would change the form's title to be easier to understand and would replace the caption with one that a person can more readily grasp and fill out.

All the legal elements necessary to request relief are contained on revised form CH-100. But the places for a person seeking protection to provide the information have been identified and presented more clearly.

Information about how a person with disabilities may ask the court for accommodations (such as assisted listening systems) is included on the form. Comment is specifically invited on this item.

Request and Order for Free Service of Restraining Order (form CH-101/DV-290)

This Plain Language version of the form for requesting free service of restraining orders by law enforcement would contain all the same items as the current form, but would add a second page containing instructions. The instructions would help protected persons to obtain free service of their orders.

Answer to Request for Orders to Stop Harassment (revised form CH-110)

This is the revised form a person would use to answer a request for an order to stop harassment. It would replace current form *Response to Petition for Injunction Prohibiting Civil Harassment*. The revised form would enable a respondent to answer or object to the contentions in the *Request for Orders to Stop Harassment*. It does so in a clearer, more direct manner than the current response form.

It provides several possible responses to the request for a firearms relinquishment order including that the defendant has no firearms, consents to the order, does not consent, or consents to certain specified orders.

Notice of Hearing and Temporary Restraining Orders (revised form CH-120)

This form is the initial order that the court would issue in a Civil Harassment proceeding. It would replace the *Order to Show Cause* (*Civil Harassment*) and *Temporary Restraining Order*. The revised form retains all the legal elements that are contained in an "order to show cause" and "temporary restraining order," but presents these in a manner more comprehensible to non-lawyers.

Under the revised caption, the form contains a Notice of Hearing that tells the respondent that they "must go to court" on the date, time, and place provided. It tells them what they must tell the judge if they show up. And it explains the consequences if they do not appear.

The revised form contains a temporary restraining order that contains all the elements of the current form. But the format is easier to understand and to fill out. The order also contains all the statutorily required warnings and notices, but these are presented in a more readable manner.

Information about how a disabled person may ask for accommodations is included on this form.

Reissue Temporary Restraining Orders (revised form CH-125) This is a Plain Language version of the current form to request reissuance of temporary restraining orders.

Proof of Personal Service (revised form CH-130), Proof of Service by Mail (revised form CH-131), and What is "Proof of Service"? (revised form CH-135)

The current two Proofs of Service forms (for personal service and

service by mail) have been revised to follow the Plain Language format. Especially for self-represented people unfamiliar with the entire concept of proof of service, these forms would be much easier to understand.

In addition, a new "What is Proof of Service"? form would be provided to give information to self-represented people about what proof of service means and how to carry it out.

Restraining Order After Hearing to Stop Harassment (revised form CH-140)

This is a Plain Language version of current form *Order After Hearing* on *Petition for Injunction Prohibiting Civil Harassment*. It contains all the features to the current form, but uses many of the formatting and other changes used in the Domestic Violence Prevention order after hearing.

Proof of Firearms Turned in or Sold (revised form CH-145)
This form is based on form DV-145. It would provide a means for persons subject to a firearms relinquishment order to provide proof that their firearms have been sold to a licensed gun dealer or turned in to a law enforcement agent.

An additional item would be added at the end of form CH-145, where the defendant must state whether the *Proof* shows that all of his or her firearms have been sold or transferred to law enforcement, or only some. If only some, the defendant must state whether proof of the sale of his or her other firearms has been, is, or will be filed.

Comments are invited on whether form CH-145 should be made mandatory.

Can a Civil Harassment Restraining Order Help Me? (revised form CH-150) and Information for the Defendant (revised form CH-151) These two forms would replace current Instructions for Lawsuits to Prohibit Civil Harassment (form CH-150). The new forms are clearer and directed separately to the plaintiffs and defendants, addressing each person's separate concerns more specifically.

Attachments

CH-100

Request for Orders to Stop Harassment

The Court fills out these boxes

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1	Your name (Plaintiff):				
	Your address (skip this if you have an attorney): (be private, give a mailing address instead):				VFT 04/08/04
	City: State				
	Your phone number (optional): ()				
	Your attorney (If you have one): (Name, address, i	phone #, and State	? Bar #):	Court name an	d street address:
				Superior Co	urt of California, County of
2	Name of person you want protection from (D	efendant):			
	Describe the person: Sex: \square M \square F Weight Height: Race: Hair Co Eye Color: Age: Date of	lor:		Case Numb	er:
	Address (If you know):				
	Work address (If you know):				-
	City:				
(2)	Resides you who needs protection? (family on	la a consola a l'el essa accordo ac	···)		
(3)	Besides you, who needs protection? (family or Full Name	Age		es with you?	How are they related to you?
				les No	
				les 🗌 No	
				les 🗌 No	
				les 🗌 No	
4	Why are you filing in this court? (Check all the ☐ The Defendant lives here. ☐ I was hurt (physically or emotionally) by		t hara		
	Other (Specify):	-			
5	How do you know the Defendant? (Check on The Defendant is my: \[\sum \text{Landlord} \] \[\sum \text{Neighbor} \]				
	☐ Other (Specify):				



Name:	Case Number.
a.	ibe how the Defendant has harassed you: Date of most recent harassment? / / Who was there?
c.	Did the Defendant commit any acts of violence or threaten to commit any acts of violence against you? Yes* No * If "Yes," describe those acts or threats:
d.	Did the Defendant engage in a course of conduct that harassed you and caused substantial emotional distress?
e	Did the Defendant's conduct described above seriously alarm, annoy or harass you? ☐ Yes ☐ No
□ CI	heck here if you need more space. Attach another page and write "CH-100, # 6 — Describe Harassment" at the top the page.
Che	ck the orders you want 🗹
	ersonal Conduct Order
Ιa	ask the Court to order the Defendant to NOT do the following things to me or anyone listed in ③: Harass, attack, strike, threaten, assault (sexually or otherwise), hit, follow, stalk, molest, destroy personal property, disturb the peace, keep under surveillance, or block movements, contact (either directly or indirectly), or telephone, or send messages or mail or e-mail
☐ St	tay-Away Order
lis a. b.	ask the Court to order the Defendant to stay at least (specify) yards away from me and the people sted in ③ and the places listed below: (Check all that apply) My home d. My vehicle My job or workplace e. Other (Specify):
to	the Court orders the Defendant to stay away from all the places listed above, will the Defendant still be able get to his or her home, school, or job? Yes No* If "No," explain:
_ _ 0	others to be Protected
	hould the other people listed in ③ also be covered by the orders described above? Yes* □ No □ Does not apply
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	If "Yes," explain why: This is not a Court Order.

Your I	Your Name:							
10	Or	der About Guns or Other Firearms I ask the Court to order the person in ② to be prohibited from owning, possessing, purchasing, or receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive firearms AND to sell or turn in any guns or firearms that he or she controls. If the judge approves the orders at the noticed hearing, the restrained person will have to sell to a gun dealer or turn in to the police any guns or firearms that he or she has or controls.						
11)		Other Orders I ask the Court to order the Defendant to (specify):						
12	 ☐ Temporary Orders Do you want the Court to make Orders now on the matters listed in ①, ⑧, ⑨, and ⑩ that will la hearing? ☐ Yes* ☐ No * If "Yes," explain why you need these Orders right now: 							
		Check here if you need more space. Attach another page and write "CH-100, # 11 — Temporary Orders" at the top of the page.						
13)		Give Copy of Order to Law Enforcement My attorney or I will give copies of this order to the following law enforcement agencies: Name of Agency: Address: City: State: Zip:						
14)		Earlier Requests for Orders Have you ever asked any court for other restraining orders against the Defendant? Yes* No * If "Yes," specify the counties and case numbers if you know them:						
15)		More Time for Notice I need extra time to notify the Defendant about these papers. I want the papers served up to days before the date of the hearing. Explain why you need more time:						
16		No Fee for Filing I ask the Court to waive the filing fee because the Defendant has used or threatened to use violence against me, has stalked me, or has acted or spoken in some other way that makes me reasonably fear violence. I am asking for a restraining order to stop this conduct.						

Case Number:

Name:					
I ask the Court to order the because the Defendant has stalk (To get free service of the Court's orders	sheriff or marshal to sed me or threatened me without paying a fee, you mus	with sexual assault. t fill out and file the Request and	d Order for Free Service of Orders, (for		
I ask the Court to order paymenta. Attorney fees b	nt of my:	penses.			
Item:	\$ \$ \$		\$ \$		
☐ Additional Relief I ask the court for additional relief as may be proper. Number of pages attached to this form:					
(If you have an attorney, your attorne	y fills out the line below).				
Attorney's name Attorney's signature					
I declare under penalty of perjury u and correct. Date:	nder the laws of the Sta	te of California that the	information above is true		
	I ask the Court to order the because the Defendant has stalk (To get free service of the Court's orders CH-101), and if eligible for a fee waiver, Attorney's Fees and Costs I ask the Court to order paymer a. Attorney fees b. The expenses are: Item: Check here if you need more at the top of the page. Additional Relief I ask the court for additional rel Number of pages attached to this for (If you have an attorney, your attorney) Date: Attorney's name I declare under penalty of perjury us and correct.	because the Defendant has stalked me or threatened me (To get free service of the Court's orders without paying a fee, you must CH-101), and if eligible for a fee waiver, you must also fill out and file to Attorney's Fees and Costs I ask the Court to order payment of my: a.	I ask the Court to order the sheriff or marshal to serve (notify) the Defen because the Defendant has stalked me or threatened me with sexual assault. (To get free service of the Court's orders without paying a fee, you must fill out and file the Request an CH-101), and if eligible for a fee waiver, you must also fill out and file the Application for Waiver of C Attorney's Fees and Costs I ask the Court to order payment of my: a.		

Case Number:



Type or print your name

Requests for Accommodations

Assistive listening systems, computer-assisted-real-time-captioning or sign language interpreter services are available if you ask at least 5 days before the hearing. Contact the clerk's office for Request for Accommodations by Persons with Disabilities and Order (form MC-410). (Civil Code section 54.8)

Sign your name

CH	-101/DV-290 Reque	ist and Oi	der for Free	Olerk stamps below when form is filed.			
	Service Service	e of Rest	raining Order				
1	Protected person's name:			DRAFT 8 03/26/04 mc			
	Protected person's address (skip the want your address to be private, give						
	City: Si Phone # (optional):						
	Protected person's lawyer (if any):			Court name and street address:			
	Bar #):			Superior Court of California, County of			
2	Restrained person's name:						
				Case Number:			
Prote	ected Person's Request						
3		I ask the sheriff or marshal to serve the restraining order for free because <i>(check either item a or b):</i> a. I asked for a restraining order on form DV-100.					
	b. I asked for a restraining of (you must check at least of (1) sexual assault (2) stalking		CH-100, and my reque	est was based on my fear of			
4	I declare under penalty of perjury correct.	, under the lav	vs of the State of Calif	fornia, that the information above is true and			
	Date:						
	Type or print your name		Sign your name				
Cour	t Order and Instructions to	Sheriff or M	larshal				
5	The court reviewed the protected	nerson's reque	est and finds that (check	k one hox only):			
	The court reviewed the protected person's request and finds that <i>(check one box only):</i> a. The protected person qualifies for a fee waiver.*						
	b. The protected person does						
6	The order (DV-110 or DV-130 or marshal without cost to the protect		H-140 and reference de	ocuments) can be served by the sheriff or			
	Date:	П	Clerk by	, Deputy			
	Date			, Deputy			
			(Clerk may grant in full (Court, rule 985(d).)	a nondiscretionary fee waiver; see Cal. Rules of			
				a nondiscretionary fee waiver; see Cal. Rules of — or —			

	Case Number:
Protected person's name:	
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Instructions for Protected Person

- This form will allow you to ask the sheriff or marshal to serve the restraining order on the restrained person. There is no cost to you.
- 8 Fill out page 1 of this form (Request and Order for Free Service of Restraining Order (Form CH-101/DV-290)).
- Fill out the *Application for Waiver of Court Fees and Costs* (Form 982(a)(17)), if you qualify for a waiver based on financial need. If you already completed that form for another case, you may not have to do it again. Ask the court clerk.
- 10 Give the forms to the court clerk.
- 11 Ask the clerk how to make sure the sheriff or marshal gets your papers.
- For more information about service, read *What is "Proof of Service"*? (Form CH-135 or Form DV-210).

The sheriff or marshal will fill in this box and return a copy of this fo	orm to the court listed on this form.
Service of the order was attempted or made on (date):	Fee: \$

NOTICE to Law Enforcement: Government Code section 6103.2(b) allows the sheriff or marshal to bill the court ONLY for orders or injunctions described in subdivision (q)(1) of Code of Civil Procedure section 527.6. The sheriff or marshal may bill the court for service only if box 5(b) is checked.

^{*} Qualification for a fee waiver is made or denied under rule 985 of the California Rules of Court.

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Stop Harassment	Cierk stamps below when form is filed.
Name of person who asked for the order (Plaintiff):	
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Your name (Defendant):	
Your address (skip this if you have an attorney): (If you want your add be private, give a mailing address instead):	dress to
City: State: Zip:	
Your phone # (optional): ()	Court name and street address:
Your attorney (if you have one): (Name, address, phone #, and State I	
Use this form to give the Court your answers to Ch	1-100.
• Read CH-151 to protect your rights.	Case Number:
• Fill out this form then, take it to the Court Clerk.	
 Serve the Plaintiff a copy of this form and any pages you at 	tach.
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3)	a.	I agree to the order requested. I do not agree to the order requested. I agree to the following order (specify):	The Court can consider your Answer at the hearing. Write your hearing date and time here: Hearing Date: Time: Dept.: Room: You must obey the Court's orders until the hearing. If you do not come to this hearing, the Court can make the orders last for 3 years.
4	Stay A	Away Orders	
	a. 🗌	I agree to the order requested.	
	b. 🗆	I do not agree to the order requested.	
	c. 🗌	I agree to the following order (specify):	
(5)	Turn I	n Guns or Other Firearms	
_	a. 🗌	I do not own or have any guns or firearms.	
	b. 🗌	I agree to the order requested.	
	c. 🗌	I do not agree to the order requested.	
	d. 🗆	I agree to the following order (specify):	
6	Other	Orders	
	a. 🗌	I agree to the orders requested.	
	b. 🗆	I do not agree to the orders requested.	
	c. 🗌	I agree to the following orders (specify):	

Your	nam	ne: _		Case Number:		
7			noti	ional Distress The person in (1) has not suffered emotional distress (Evoluin):		
		a.		The person in ① has not suffered emotional distress. (Explain):		
		b.		A reasonable person in the same position as the person in ① would not have suffered emotional dist (Explain):		
		c.		If the person in ① has suffered any emotional distress, it is not because of what that person has accume of doing. (Explain):		
8			•	Dise of Actions I did to the person in ① – if anything – was not done on purpose.		
9		De	nia	ıl		
				I did not do anything described in (6) of CH-100. (Skip to (1))		
$\widehat{}$				I did some or all of the things described in ⑥ of CH-100.		
10)		Reason or Excuse				
				done some or all of the things the person in ① has accused me of, but: What I did was legal. (Explain):		
		b.		I had a good reason for doing these things. (Explain):		
		c.		I have other reasons to justify what I did. (Explain):		
11)		The	e C	Court should not make an order against me because: (List any other reasons below):		
12)		Fac	cts	that support this Answer: (List any other facts that support your case):		
			-	you need more space, check the box and attach an extra page and write "CH-110, Item 12 — Other Facts" e top. Be specific.		
13)		I as	k th	the Court to waive the filing fee because the person in ② claims that I have used or threatened to use the against them or have acted in some other way that would make them reasonably fear violence.		

v				Case Numl	ber:		
Your	name:						
14)	I ask ta a. □	ney Fees and Co he Court to order pa Attorney fees Out-of-pocket exp facts. The expenses	nyment of my: enses because the tempo	rary restraining order was iss	ued without enough supporting		
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<u>16</u>)		Number of pages attached to this form:					
	(If you hav	ve an attorney, your at	torney fills out the below)	:			
	Date:						
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	Attorney's nam	30		Attorney's signature			
	I declare u		ury under the laws of the	e State of California that the	information above is true		
	Date:						
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	Type or print y	your name		Sign your name			

Notice of Hearing and Temporary

	П-120	Restrain	ing Orders		CI	The Court fills out these boxe	
P	Protected person's				C/6	erk stamps below when form is filed	1.
	Plaintiff's address o be private, give a			^c you want your add	ress	DRAFT 04/08/	'04
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Yo	Tour lawyer (If you		ame, address, phone	#, and State Bar #,		perior Court of California, Cou	nty of
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R	Restrained person	s (Defendant's)	name:				
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T	Temporary R The person in ① a. □ Granted	estraining	g Orders	lers to Stop Haras		se Number:	
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	The person in ① a.	estraining O's Request for The person in (g Orders r Temporary Ord 2) (the Defendant): Wt.: Eye Color:		sment is: Race: _	Date of Birth:	
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Name:	
	gainst the Restrained Person (the Defendant)
Notice of Hearing To the person in ②: You must go to court on	:
	Name and address of court if different from above: Time:
· · · · · ·	o make orders against you, file CH-110. Then, go to the hearing and tell the Court why ne to this hearing, the Court can make restraining orders that could last up to 3 years.
date and time of the hearing t	ust obey the court orders checked below. These orders will expire at the inless extended by the Court. If you do not obey these orders, you can be arrested d you may have to go to jail, pay a fine of up to \$1000, or both.
☐ a. Harass, attack, str personal property,	wing things to the people listed in ① and ⑤: rike, threaten, assault (sexually or otherwise), hit, follow, stalk, molest, destroy, disturb the peace, keep under surveillance, or block movements or indirectly), telephone, send messages, mail or e-mail
a. ☐ The person listedb. ☐ The people listed	
No Guns or Other Firear You cannot own, possess, h	ms have, buy or try to buy, receive or try to receive, or in any other way get a gun or firearm.
☐ Turn In or Sell Guns (You:	or Firearms I gun dealer or turn in to police any guns or firearms that you possess or control. This
must be done within a done within 24 hours • Must bring a receipt t	48 hours of receiving this order. But if you were at a hearing on this order, it must be

Your	Name:	Case Number:
	Orders to the Protected P	•
	To the person in ①: (Write the name of the person in ①):	
13)	Service of Order on Law Enforcement By the close of business on the date this order is made, you of and any proof of service forms to each law enforcement ager Name of Law Enforcement Agency: Address	
14)	Service of Documents You must have someone personally deliver to the person in (a. CH-120, Notice of Hearing and Temporary Restraining b. CH-100, Request for Orders to Stop Harassment (composite CH-110, Answer to Request for Orders to Stop Harassment d. Other (specify):	Orders (completed and file-stamped) sletted and file-stamped) sent (blank form)
15)	 □ Time for Notice (check a, b, or c) □ a. A copy of the documents listed in ⁽¹⁾ must be served before the hearing, □ b. A copy of the documents listed in ⁽¹⁾ must be served this order is issued. □ c. A copy of the documents listed in ⁽¹⁾ must be served days before the date of the hearing. 	l in person to the person in ② at least 5 days after
16)	☐ No Fee for FilingFiling fees are waived.	
17)	☐ No Fee for Service of Order by Law Enforcement Law enforcement will serve this order without charge becaus of violence resulting from a threat of sexual assault.	e the order is based on stalking or a credible threat
	Date:	er

	Case Number:
Your Name:	

Warnings and Notices to the Restrained Person in ②

You Cannot Have Guns or Firearms

You cannot own, have, possess, buy or try to buy, receive or try to receive, or otherwise get a gun while the order is in effect. If you do, you can go to jail and pay a \$1,000 fine. You must sell to a licensed gun dealer or turn in to police any guns or firearms that you have or control. The Court will ask you for proof that you did so. If you do not obey this order, you can be charged with a crime.

— Instructions to Law Enforcement —

This order is effective when made. It is enforceable anywhere in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, all tribal lands, and all U.S. territories and shall be enforced as if it were an order of that jurisdiction by any law enforcement agency that has received the order, is shown a copy of the order, or has verified its existence on the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS). If the law enforcement agency has not received proof of service on the restrained person, and the restrained person was not present at the court hearing, the agency shall advise the restrained person of the terms of the order and then shall enforce it. Violations of this restraining order are subject to criminal penalties.



Requests for Accommodations

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(The Clerk will fill out this part)

— Clerk's Certificate —

Clerk's Certificate [seal]

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I certify that this *Notice of Hearing and Temporary Restraining Orders* is a true

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Clerk stamps below when form is filed.

	ve an attorney): (If you want your address to be tead):	DRAFT 04/08/0
City:	State: Zip:	
Your phone number (optional,): ()	
Your attorney (If you have one)	: (Name, address, phone #, and State Bar #):	Court name and street address:
		Superior Court of California, County
Name of Defendant:		
		Case Number:
☐ I ask the Court to reissue form CH-120.	the Temporary Restraining Orders,	
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Judicial Officer

Your	Name:		Case Number:
6	and any proof of The person	service form to the law enforcement agency liste	n checked below will deliver a copy of this order ed in ①.
(7)	The law enforcen	nent agency listed below will serve the defendant	t with a copy of this order and any attached orders
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	City:	State:	Zip:
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		Date:	
		Clerk, by	, Deputy

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Date: ___

Type or print server's name

(If you are a registered process server):

County of registration: ______ Registration number: _____

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.

Proof of Service by Ma	The Court fills out these boxes
	Clerk stamps below when form is filed.
Protected person's (Plaintiff's) name:	
	DRAFT 04/08/0
Defendant's name:	
Notice to Server	
The server must:	Court name and street address:
■ Be 18 or over.	Superior Court of California, County
■ Not be listed on the restraining	superior court or camorina, county
order.	
■ Mail a copy of all documents	
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a. CH-110, Answer to Request for Orders to S	top Harassment (completed form)
b. Other (specify):	•
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Server's Information	
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Restraining Order After Hearing to Stop Harassment

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1	Protected person's (Plaintiff's) name:	
	Protected person's address (skip this if you have an attorney): (If you want your address to be private, give a mailing address instead):	DRAFT 04/08/04
	City: State: Zip: Your phone number (optional): ()	
	Your attorney (If you have one): (Name, address, phone #, and State Bar #):	Court name and street address:
(2)	Restrained person's (Defendant's) name:	Superior Court of California, County of
	restrained persons (Diffinition) frame.	
(3)	Hearing (The Court will fill out this section.) There was a hearing on	Case Number:
	(date): at (time): a.m. p.m. Dept.:	Rm.:
	made the orders at t (Name of judicial officer)	ne nearing.
	These people were at the hearing: Plaintiff (the person in 1) Defendant (the person in 2) Plaintiff's lawyer Defendant's lawyer	
4	Description of the person in ② (the Defendant): Sex: M F Ht.: Race	cai
	Hair Color: Eye Color: Age: _	
	Trail Color: Lye Color: Age:	Date of Birth:
5	List the full names of all other people protected by this order:	
	Orders Against the Restrained Person (the Defendation (Write the name of the person in 2):	
6	The person in ①'s Request for Orders to Stop Harassment is: a. Granted Denied	

Your	Name:	Case Number:
7	Court Orders This is a Court order: You must obey the orders checked below. If you do not obey this order, you have to go to jail, pay a fine of up to \$1000, or both.	ou can be arrested and charge with a crime.
8	This order, except for an award of attorney's fees, expires at: (Time): □ a.m. □ p.m. or □ midnight on (date): _ If no date is present, this order expires three years for the date of issuar	
9	 □ Personal Conduct Orders You must <i>not</i> do the following things to the people listed in ① and □ a. Harass, attack, strike, threaten, assault (sexually or otherwing personal property, disturb the peace, keep under surveilland □ b. Contact (directly or indirectly), telephone, send messages, 	se), hit, follow, stalk, molest, destroy ce, or block movements
10	1	he children's school or child care other (specify):
11)	No Guns or Other Firearms You cannot own, possess, have, buy or try to buy, receive or try to rec	eive, or in any other way get a gun or firearm.
12	 Turn In or Sell Guns or Firearms You: Must sell to a licensed gun dealer or turn in to police any guns must be done within 48 hours of receiving this order. But if yo done within 24 hours of the hearing. Must bring a receipt to the Court within 72 hours of receiving turned in or sold. (You can use CH-145 for this.) 	u were at a hearing on this order, it must be
13)	Other Orders (specify):	
	Orders to the Protected Person (the Plaintiff) To the person in ①: (Write the name of the person in ①):	
14)	☐ Service of Order on Law Enforcement By the close of business on the date this order is made, you or your and any proof of service forms to each law enforcement agency list	
	Name of Law Enforcement Agency: Address (City,	State, Zip)

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	Da	te:	Judicial Officer	
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	land enf Cal reco	ds, and all U.S. territories and orcement agency that has recollifornia Law Enforcement Te eived proof of service on the	nd shall be enforced as if it were an order the ceived the order, is shown a copy of the lecommunications System (CLETS). If restrained person, and the restrained per ained person of the terms of the order at	order, or has verified its existence on the
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This is a Court Order.

Clerk, by ______, Deputy

Your name (Defendant):

Protected person's (Plaintiff's) name:

be private, give a mailing address instead):

Clerk stamps below when form is filed.

Court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Case Number:

(3) To the person selling or turning in firearms:

Your address (skip this if you have an attorney): (If you want your address to

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Your attorney (if you have one): (Name, address, phone #, and State Bar #):

Your phone # (optional): (_____) ____

If the court has ordered you to sell or turn in your firearms, you may use this form to prove to the Court that you have obeyed its orders. When you deliver your unloaded weapons, ask law enforcement or the gun dealer to complete item ① or ⑤ and item ⑥. After the form is signed, file it with the court clerk. Keep a copy for yourself. For help, read CH-151.

4 To: Law Enforcement

Fill out parts 4 and 6 of this form. Keep a copy and give the original to the person who turned in the firearms.

The firearms listed below were turned in on:

Date: ____ at: __ \square a.m. \square p.m.

Name of law enforcement agency

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.

Signature of law enforcement agent

<u>5</u>)	To:	Licensed	l Gun	Deal	eı
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Fill out parts ⑤ and ⑥ of this form. Keep a copy and give the original to the person who sold the firearms to you.

The firearms listed below were sold on:

at: [a.m.		p.m.
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Name of licensed gun dealer

License number (____)____

Address

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.



Signature of licensed gun dealer

5)	Firearm Make	Model	Serial #		
	1				
	2				
	3				
	4				
	5				
	Check here if more firearms. Attach a sheet of potop. Include make, model and serial # for all other	•	ms Turned In or Sold" at the		
<u>i</u>)	Do you have, own, possess or control any other f	irearms besides the firearms listed in ©	? Yes No		
3	If you answered "Yes," to $\widehat{\mathcal{D}}$ above, have you sold or transferred those other firearms? \square Yes \square No If "Yes," check one of the boxes below:				
	a. I filed the <i>Proof of Firearms Turned in or So.</i>		n (date):		
	☐ b. I am filing the Proof for the other firearm	_			
	☐ c. I have not yet filed the Proof for the other	er firearms. (Explain why not):			
	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws and correct.	of the State of California that the info	rmation above is true		
	Date:				
	Type or print your name	Sign your name			

Case Number:

Can a Civil Harassment Restraining Order Help Me?

What is a Civil Harassment **Restraining Order?**

It is a Court order that helps protect people from harassment.

In the order, you are the Plaintiff (person asking for order). The person you want protection from is the Defendant.

Can I get a Civil Harassment **Restraining Order?**

You can ask for one if you are worried about your safety because someone:

- Stalked.
- Harassed,
- Sexually assaulted, or
- Threatened you with violence

How will the order help me?

The Court can order the Defendant to:

- Not harass or threaten you
- Not contact or go near you, and
- Not have a gun

You can also ask for protection for other family or household members.

What forms do I need to get the order?

Fill out forms CH-100 and CH-120. Then, file them with the court clerk.

Where can I get these forms?

You can get the forms at any courthouse, county law library, or go to:

www.courtinfo.ca.gov/forms

How soon can I get the order?

If you ask for a temporary restraining order (form CH-120), the Court will decide whether or not to make the order within 24 hours. Sometimes the Court decides sooner.

How long does the order last?

If the Court makes a temporary order, it will last until your hearing date. At that time, the Court will decide to continue or cancel the order. The order could last for up to 3 years.

How will the Defendant know about the order?

Someone who is at least 18 — not you or anyone else protected by the order — must "serve" (give) the Defendant a copy of the order. For help with service, ask the court clerk for form CH-135.

What if the Defendant does not obey the order?

Call the police. The Defendant can be arrested and charged with a crime.

How much does it cost?

That depends on the type of harassment. If the Defendant has used or threatened to use violence against you, you do not have to pay a filing fee.

If you cannot afford to pay the filing fee, ask the clerk how to apply for a fee waiver.

The Court can make the person who loses the case pay all the court fees and the other party's attorney fees.

Can a Civil Harassment Restraining Order Help Me?

Do I have to go to court?

Yes. Go to court on the date the clerk gives you.

Do I need an attorney?

No. But it is a good idea. Ask the court clerk about free and low-cost legal services and self-help centers in your county.

Do I need to bring a witness to the court hearing?

No. But it helps to have proof of the harassment. You can bring:

- A statement from witnesses made under oath. (You can use form MC-030 for this.)
- A witness
- Photos
- Medical or police reports
- Damaged property
- A threatening letter, e-mail, or telephone message

The Court may or may not let witnesses speak at the hearing.

Will I see the Defendant at the court hearing?

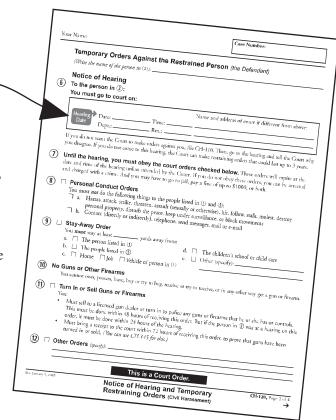
If the Defendant comes to the hearing, yes. But that person does not have the right to speak to you. If you are afraid, tell the court officer.

Can I bring someone with me to court?

Yes. You can bring someone to sit with you during the hearing. But that person cannot speak for you in court. Only you or your attorney (if you have one) can speak for you.

What if I don't speak English?

When you file your papers, ask the clerk if a court interpreter is available. You may have to pay a fee for the interpreter. If the interpreter is not available for your court date, bring someone to interpret for you. You cannot ask a child under 18 to interpret for you.



What if I am deaf?

If you are deaf, contact the clerk at least 1 week before the hearing. Ask for an interpreter or other accommodation.

What if I move?

Your restraining order works anywhere in the U.S. If you move out of California, contact your new local police so they will know about your orders.

Need more information?

Ask the court clerk about free or low-cost legal help.

For help in your area, contact:

[insert local info here]

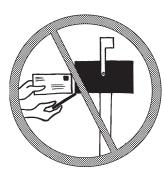
What is "service"?

There are many kinds of service — in person, by mail, and others. This form is about "in-person service." The *Notice of Hearing and Temporary Restraining Orders* (CH-120) and the *Request for Orders to Stop Harassment* (CH-100) must be served "in person."

That means someone — not you or anyone else protected by the order — must personally "serve" (give) the restrained person a copy of the forms.

Service lets the other person know:

- What orders you are asking for
- The hearing date
- How to answer



Don't serve it by mail!

Who can serve?

Ask someone you know, a process server, or law enforcement to personally "serve" (give) a copy of the order to the restrained person. You *cannot* send it by mail.

The server must:

- Be 18 or over
- Not be you or anyone else protected by the orders

The sheriff or marshal may be authorized to serve the orders for *free* if the order is based on claims of stalking or threat of sexual assault.

A "registered process server" is a business you pay to deliver court forms. Look in the Yellow Pages, under "Process Serving."

(If law enforcement or the process server uses a different Proof of Service form, make sure it lists the forms served.)

How to serve

Ask the server to:

- Walk up to the person to be served.
- Make sure it's the right person.
- Give the person copies of all papers checked on CH-130.
- Fill out and sign the Proof of Service form (CH-130).
- Give the signed Proof of Service to you.

What if the person won't take the papers or tears them up?

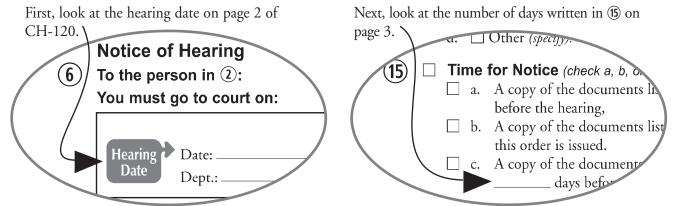
If the person won't take the papers, the server can just leave them near the person. It doesn't matter if the person tears them up.

Who signs the Proof of Service?

Only the person who serves the orders can sign the Proof of Service. You do not sign CH-130. The restrained person does not sign this form.

When do the orders have to be served?

It depends. To know the exact date, you have to look at two things on form CH-120:



Look at a calendar. Subtract the number of days in the hearing date. That's the final date to have the orders served. It's always OK to serve earlier than that date.

If nothing is written in (5), follow these rules:

- If the restrained person was notified that you asked for temporary orders, you must serve the orders at least 15 days before the hearing.
- If the restrained person was not notified that you asked for temporary orders, you must serve the orders at least 5 days before the hearing.

Why do I have to get the orders served?

- The *police cannot arrest* anyone for violating an order *unless* that person knows about the order.
- The *judge cannot make the orders permanent* unless the restrained person was served.

What happens if I can't get the orders served before the hearing date?

Before your hearing, fill out and file the *Reissue Temporary Restraining Orders* (CH-125). This form asks the Court for a new hearing date and makes your orders last until then. Ask the clerk for the form.

After the Court has reissued the orders, you *must* attach a copy of CH-125 to a copy of your original order. That way, the police will know your orders are still in effect. And the restrained person will be served with notice of the new hearing date.

What do I do with the completed Proof of Service?

- Make at least 5 copies.
- File the original at least 2 days before your hearing.
- Ask the clerk to enter it into CLETS (California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System), a special computer system that lets police all over the state find out about your order.
- If the clerk tells you they can't enter it into the computer, take 1 copy to your local police. They will put the information into the state computer system. That way, police all over the state will know about your restraining order.
- Bring a copy of the Proof of Service to your hearing.
- Always keep an extra copy with you for your safety.

Information for the Defendant

What is a Civil Harassment Restraining Order?

It is a court order.

What does the order do?

The Court can order you to:

- Not contact the Plaintiff (the person who asked for the order)
- Stay away from the Plaintiff, the Plaintiff's home and workplace
- Not have any guns while the order is in effect

Who can ask for a Civil Harassment Restraining Order?

A person who is worried about safety because they are being:

- Stalked,
- Harassed,
- Sexually assaulted, or
- Threatened with violence

The person who asks for the order cannot be related or have had a relationship with you.

How long does the order last?

If the Court makes a *temporary* order, it will last until your hearing date. At that time, the Court will decide to continue or cancel the order. The order could last for up to 3 years.

What if I don't obey the order?

The police can arrest you. You can go to jail and pay a fine.

What if I do not agree with what the order says?

You still must obey the order until the hearing.

If you disagree with the orders the Plaintiff is asking for, fill out CH-110 before your hearing date and file it with the Court.

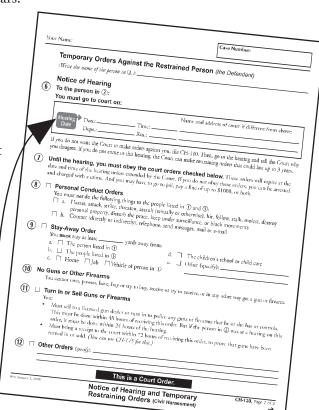
Do I have to serve the other person with a copy of my answer?

Yes. Have someone mail a copy of CH-110 to the person who asked for the order (or that person's attorney). (This is called "Service.")

The person who serves the form by mail must fill out form CH-131, *Proof of Service by Mail*. Make a copy of the Proof of Service and file it with the court clerk.

Should I go to the court hearing?

Yes. Go to Court on the date listed on CH-120. If you do not go to Court, the judge can make orders without hearing from you.



Information for the Defendant

Do I need an attorney?

No. But it is a good idea. Ask the court clerk about legal services and self-help centers in your county.

Will I see the person who asked for the order (the Plaintiff) at the court hearing?

If the Plaintiff goes to the hearing, yes. Do not talk to the Plaintiff unless the judge says you can.

Can I bring a witness to the court hearing?

You can bring witnesses or documents that support your case. But if possible, you should also bring their written statements of what they saw or heard to the hearing. Their statements must be made under penalty of perjury. You can use form MC-030 for this.

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